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- 5.2 Corrosive Reagents. The following reagents are hazardous. Personal protective equipment and safe procedures are useful in preventing chemical splashes. If contact occurs, immediately flush with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove clothing under shower and decontaminate. Treat residual chemical burns as thermal burns.
- 5.2.1 Hydrochloric Acid (HCl). Highly toxic and corrosive. Causes severe damage to skin. Vapors are highly irritating to eyes, skin, nose, and lungs, causing severe damage. May cause bronchitis, pneumonia, or edema of lungs. Exposure to vapor concentrations of 0.13 to 0.2 percent can be lethal in minutes. Will react with metals, producing hydrogen.
- 5.2.2 Oxalic Acid (COOH)₂. Poisonous. Irritating to eyes, skin, nose, and throat.
- 5.2.3 Sodium Hydroxide (NaOH). Causes severe damage to eye tissues and to skin. Inhalation causes irritation to nose, throat, and lungs. Reacts exothermically with small amounts of water.
- 5.2.4 Potassium Permanganate (KMnO $_4$). Caustic, strong oxidizer. Avoid bodily contact with.

6.0 Equipment and Supplies

- 6.1 Sample Collection and Sample Recovery. A schematic of the Method 7C sampling train is shown in Figure 7C-1, and component parts are discussed below. Alternative apparatus and procedures are allowed provided acceptable accuracy and precision can be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Administrator.
- 6.1.1 Probe. Borosilicate glass tubing, sufficiently heated to prevent water condensation and equipped with an in-stack or heated out-of-stack filter to remove particulate matter (a plug of glass wool is satisfactory for this purpose). Stainless steel or Teflon tubing may also be used for the probe.
- 6.1.2 Impingers. Three restricted-orifice glass impingers, having the specifications given in Figure 7C–2, are required for each sampling train. The impingers must be connected in series with leak-free glass connectors. Stopcock grease may be used, if necessary, to prevent leakage. (The impingers can be fabricated by a glass blower if not available commercially.)
- 6.1.3 Glass Wool, Stopcock Grease, Drying Tube, Valve, Pump, Barometer, and Vacuum Gauge and Rotameter. Same as in Method 6, Sections 6.1.1.3, 6.1.1.4, 6.1.1.6, 6.1.1.7, 6.1.1.8, 6.1.2, and 6.1.3, respectively.
- 6.1.4 Rate Meter. Rotameter, or equivalent, accurate to within 2 percent at the selected flow rate of between 400 and 500 ml/ min (0.014 to 0.018 cfm). For rotameters, a range of 0 to 1 liter/min (0 to 0.035 cfm) is recommended.
- 6.1.5 Volume Meter. Dry gas meter (DGM) capable of measuring the sample volume

under the sampling conditions of 400 to 500 ml/min (0.014 to 0.018 cfm) for 60 minutes within an accuracy of 2 percent.

- 6.1.6 Filter. To remove NO_X from ambient air, prepared by adding 20 g of 5-angstrom molecular sieve to a cylindrical tube (e.g., a polyethylene drying tube).
- 6.1.7 Polyethylene Bottles. 1-liter, for sample recovery.
- 6.1.8 Funnel and Stirring Rods. For sample recovery.
- 6.2 Sample Preparation and Analysis.
- 6.2.1 Hot Plate. Stirring type with 50- by 10-mm Teflon-coated stirring bars.
- 6.2.2 Beakers. 400-, 600-, and 1000-ml capacities.
- $6.2.3\,\,$ Filtering Flask. 500-ml capacity with side arm.
- 6.2.4 Buchner Funnel. 75-mm ID, with spout equipped with a 13-mm ID by 90-mm long piece of Teflon tubing to minimize possibility of aspirating sample solution during filtration
- 6.2.5 Filter Paper. Whatman GF/C, 7.0-cm diameter.
- 6.2.6 Stirring Rods.
- $6.2.7\,$ Volumetric Flasks. 100-, 200- or 250-, 500-, and 1000-ml capacity.
- 6.2.8 Watch Glasses. To cover 600- and 1000-ml beakers.
- $6.2.9\,$ Graduated Cylinders. 50- and 250-ml capacities.
- 6.2.10 Pipettes. Class A.
- 6.2.11 pH Meter. To measure pH from 0.5 to 12.0.
- 6.2.12 Burette. 50-ml with a micrometer type stopcock. (The stopcock is Catalog No. 8225-t-05, Ace Glass, Inc., Post Office Box 996, Louisville, Kentucky 50201.) Place a glass wool plug in bottom of burette. Cut off burette at a height of 43 cm (17 in.) from the top of plug, and have a blower attach a glass funnel to top of burette such that the diameter of the burette remains essentially unchanged. Other means of attaching the funnel are acceptable.
- 6.2.13 Glass Funnel. 75-mm ID at the top. 6.2.14 Spectrophotometer. Capable of measuring absorbance at 540 nm; 1-cm cells are adequate.
- 6.2.15 Metal Thermometers. Bimetallic thermometers, range 0 to 150 °C (32 to 300 °F).
- 6.2.16 Culture Tubes. 20-by 150-mm, Kimax No. 45048.
- 6.2.17 Parafilm "M." Obtained from American Can Company, Greenwich, Connecticut 06830.
- 6.2.18 CO₂ Measurement Equipment. Same as in Method 3, Section 6.0.

7.0 Reagents and Standards

Unless otherwise indicated, it is intended that all reagents conform to the specifications established by the Committee on Analytical Reagents of the American Chemical Society, where such specifications are available; otherwise, use the best available grade.

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- 7.1 Sample Collection.
- 7.1.1 Water. Deionized distilled to conform to ASTM Specification D 1193-77 or 91 Type 3 (incorporated by reference—see § 60.17).
- 7.1.2 Potassium Permanganate, 4.0 Percent (w/w), Sodium Hydroxide, 2.0 Percent (w/w) solution (KMnO₄/NaOH solution). Dissolve 40.0 g of KMnO₄ and 20.0 g of NaOH in 940 ml of water.
 - 7.2 Sample Preparation and Analysis.
 - 7.2.1 Water. Same as in Section 7.1.1.
- 7.2.2 Oxalic Acid Solution. Dissolve 48 g of oxalic acid $[(COOH)_2 \cdot 2H_2O]$ in water, and dilute to 500 ml. Do not heat the solution.
- 7.2.3 Sodium Hydroxide, 0.5 N. Dissolve 20 g of NaOH in water, and dilute to 1 liter.
- 7.2.4 Sodium Hydroxide, 10 N. Dissolve 40 g of NaOH in water, and dilute to 100 ml.
- 7.2.5 Ethylenediamine Tetraacetic Acid (EDTA) Solution, 6.5 percent (w/v). Dissolve 6.5 g of EDTA (disodium salt) in water, and dilute to 100 ml. Dissolution is best accomplished by using a magnetic stirrer.
- 7.2.6 Column Rinse Solution. Add 20 ml of 6.5 percent EDTA solution to 960 ml of water, and adjust the pH to between 11.7 and 12.0 with 0.5 N NaOH.
- 7.2.7 Hydrochloric Acid (HCl), 2 N. Add 86 ml of concentrated HCl to a 500 ml-volumetric flack containing water, dilute to volume, and mix well. Store in a glass-stoppered bottle.
- 7.2.8 Sulfanilamide Solution. Add 20 g of sulfanilamide (melting point 165 to 167 °C (329 to 333 °F)) to 700 ml of water. Add, with mixing, 50 ml concentrated phosphoric acid (85 percent), and dilute to 1000 ml. This solution is stable for at least 1 month. if refrigerated.
- 7.2.9 N-(1-Naphthyl)-Ethylenediamine Dihydrochloride (NEDA) Solution. Dissolve 0.5 g of NEDA in 500 ml of water. An aqueous solution should have one absorption peak at 320 nm over the range of 260 to 400 nm. NEDA that shows more than one absorption peak over this range is impure and should not be used. This solution is stable for at least 1 month if protected from light and refrigerated.
- 7.2.10 Cadmium. Obtained from Matheson Coleman and Bell, 2909 Highland Avenue, Norwood, Ohio 45212, as EM Laboratories Catalog No. 2001. Prepare by rinsing in 2 N HCl for 5 minutes until the color is silvergrey. Then rinse the cadmium with water until the rinsings are neutral when tested with pH paper. CAUTION: H₂ is liberated during preparation. Prepare in an exhaust hood away from any flame or combustion source.
- 7.2.11 Sodium Sulfite (NaNO₂) Standard Solution, Nominal Concentration, 1000 μg NO₂-/ml. Desiccate NaNO2 overnight. Accurately weigh 1.4 to 1.6 g of NaNO₂ (assay of 97 percent NaNO₂ or greater), dissolve in water, and dilute to 1 liter. Calculate the exact NO₂-concentration using Equation 7C–1 in Sec-

tion 12.2. This solution is stable for at least 6 months under laboratory conditions.

- 7.2.12 Potassium Nitrate (KNO₃) Standard Solution. Dry KNO₃ at 110 °C (230 °F) for 2 hours, and cool in a desiccator. Accurately weigh 9 to 10 g of KNO₃ to within 0.1 mg, dissolve in water, and dilute to 1 liter. Calculate the exact NO₃- concentration using Equation 7C-2 in Section 12.3. This solution is stable for 2 months without preservative under laboratory conditions.
- 7.2.13 Spiking Solution. Pipette 7 ml of the KNO_3 standard into a 100-ml volumetric flask, and dilute to volume.
- 7.2.14 Blank Solution. Dissolve 2.4 g of KMnO₄ and 1.2 g of NaOH in 96 ml of water. Alternatively, dilute 60 ml of KMnO₄/NaOH solution to 100 ml.
- 7.2.15 Quality Assurance Audit Samples. Same as in Method 7, Section 7.3.10. When requesting audit samples, specify that they be in the appropriate concentration range for Method 7C.
- 8.0 Sample Collection, Preservation, Storage, and Transport
- 8.1 Preparation of Sampling Train. Add 200 ml of KMnO₄/NaOH solution (Section 7.1.2) to each of three impingers, and assemble the train as shown in Figure 7C-1. Adjust the probe heater to a temperature sufficient to prevent water condensation.
- 8.2 Leak-Checks. Same as in Method 6, Section 8.2.
- 8.3 Sample Collection.
- 8.3.1 Record the initial DGM reading and barometric pressure. Determine the sampling point or points according to the appropriate regulations (e.g., §60.46(b)(5) of 40 CFR Part 60). Position the tip of the probe at the sampling point, connect the probe to the first impinger, and start the pump. Adjust the sample flow to a value between 400 and 500 ml/min (0.014 and 0.018 cfm). CAUTION: DO NOT EXCEED THESE FLOW RATES. Once adjusted, maintain a constant flow rate during the entire sampling run. Sample for 60 minutes. For relative accuracy (RA) testing of continuous emission monitors, the minimum sampling time is 1 hour, sampling 20 minutes at each traverse point.

Note: When the SO_2 concentration is greater than 1200 ppm, the sampling time may have to be reduced to 30 minutes to eliminate plugging of the impinger orifice with MnO_2 . For RA tests with SO_2 greater than 1200 ppm, sample for 30 minutes (10 minutes at each point).

8.3.2 Record the DGM temperature, and check the flow rate at least every 5 minutes. At the conclusion of each run, turn off the pump, remove the probe from the stack, and record the final readings. Divide the sample volume by the sampling time to determine the average flow rate. Conduct the mandatory post-test leak-check. If a leak is found,